

Principles of Selling

Career Cluster	Marketing
Course Code	12202
Prerequisite(s)	Marketing Principles recommended
Credit	0.5
Program of Study and	Marketing Principles – Principles of Selling – Other pathway course or Capstone Experience
Sequence	
Student Organization	DECA – Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) – Future Business Leaders of America
	(FBLA)
Coordinating Work-Based	Tours-Job Shadow-Informational Interviews
Learning	
Industry Certifications	None
Dual Credit or Dual	None
Enrollment	
Teacher Certification	Business Management & Administration Cluster Endorsement; Marketing Cluster Endorsement; Finance
	Cluster Endorsement; Banking Services & Business Finance Pathway Endorsement; Insurance, Securities &
	Investments Pathway Endorsement; *Business Education; *Marketing Education
Resources	

Course Description:

Principles of Selling offers students an overview of the sales career and sales process. Topics include principles of selling, consumer and business buying behavior, the sales process and customer relationship management.

Program of Study Application

Principles of Selling is a pathway course in the Marketing career cluster, Professional Sales pathway.

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Course Standards

PS 1 Students will understand the role of sales.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
Level 1:	PS 1.1 Identify and explore sales career opportunities	
Recall and		
Reproduction		
Level 1: Recall and Reproduction	PS 1.2 Identify the promotional mix	 Discuss different tools (e.g., Advertising, Publicity, Sales, Sales Promotion, Direct Marketing, Digital Marketing)
Level 2: Skill/Concept	PS 1.3 Identify the role of sales in the promotional mix	 Understand the advantages and disadvantages of Sales as a promotional tool

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PS 2 Students will understand the unique challenges of ethical decisions in sales.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator Sub-indicator	Integrated Content
Level 4:	PS 2.1 Apply ethical reasoning to a variety of workplace situations in order to	
Extended	make ethical decisions	
Thinking		
Level 2:	PS 2.2 Evaluate alternative responses to workplace situations based on legal	
Skill/Concept	responsibilities and employer policies	
Level 2:	PS 2.3 Evaluate alternative responses to workplace situations based on	
Skill/Concept	personal or professional ethical responsibility	
Level 1:	PS 2.4 Identify personal and long-term workplace consequences of unethical	
Recall and	or illegal behaviors	
Reproduction		
Level 3:	PS 2.5 Explain personal and long-term workplace consequences of legal and	
Strategic	ethical considerations	
Thinking		

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PS 3 Students will understand consumer and business buying behavior.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator Integrated Conte		egrated Content
Level 2:	PS 3.1 Differentiate between consumer needs and wants		
Skill/Concept			
Level 2:	PS 3.2 Identify the consumer decision-making process	•	Discuss steps in
Skill/Concept			the decision-
			making process
		•	Differentiate
			between high
			and low involvement
			products
		•	Identify major
			influences on
			consumer
			behavior
Level 2:	PS 3.3 Understand unique aspects of business buying behavior	•	List roles of
Skill/Concept			participants in
			business buying
			centers
		•	Understand
			different buying
			situations (e.g.,
			new buy,
			modified rebuy,
			straight rebuy)

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PS 4 Students will understand the sales process.

Webb Level	Sub-indicator Integrated Content		
Level 2:	PS 4.1 Understand the selling process	•	Explain the
Skill/Concept			nature and scope
			of the selling
			function.
		•	List steps in the
			selling process.
Level 2:	PS 4.2 Explain lead generation and qualification	•	Explore ways to
Skill/Concept			generate leads
		•	Define a qualified
			lead
		•	Identify the
			characteristics of
			a qualified lead
			(e.g., willingness,
			ability, authority)
Level 3:	PS 4.3 Identify and utilize needs assessment	•	Identify needs
Strategic			assessment
Thinking			techniques
		•	Determine
			customer/client
			needs.
		•	Differentiate
			between
			Features and
			Benefits of a
			product
Level 3:	PS 4.4 Demonstrate the sales presentation	•	Prepare for the
Strategic			sales
Thinking			presentation.
		•	Model how to
			present a
			product.

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Level 3: Strategic Thinking	PS 4.5 Identify customer concerns and strategies to handle objections	•	Identify different types of objections. Role play response to customer concerns
Level 3: Strategic Thinking	PS 4.6 Identify how to close a sale	•	Recognize and evaluate customer buying signals Utilize closing techniques
Level 2: Skill/Concept	PS 4.7 Determine the importance of follow up within the sale process	•	Understand the importance of building and maintaining long term relationships

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PS 5 Students will identify the importance of customer relationship management (CRM).

Webb Level	Sub-indicator	Integrated Content	
Level 2:	PS 5.1 Understand the customer relationship management concept		
Skill/Concept			
Level 3:	PS 5.2 Explore available CRM technologies	•	Identify function
Strategic			and purpose of
Thinking			current CRM
			software